

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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FACILITIES TO EXPORTERS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to strengthen the existing infrastructural facilities like ports, electricity, communications and transportations to the exporters and also to streamline and extend the required loan facilities on easy terms to them so that exports may be promoted;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and ;

(c) if not, the specific steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to remove the hurdles in the way of providing infrastructural facilities to ensure export promotion?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) to (c) : The Central Government evolves plans and policies on a continuous basis to upgrade the infrastructure for exports and to streamline financial support to exporters. The measures taken in this direction include, inter alia, development of hub ports on Eastern and Western Coasts of the country, updation of the disaster management plan at the sea ports, provision of additional berths for general cargo at the ports, strengthening of communication and warning system, containerisation and inland penetration of multimodal transport, setting up of Inland Container Depots/ Container Freight Stations, implementation of the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) system at sea-ports and air-ports etc and, extending adequate credit facilities to exporters.